COPS Grant Programs

3-1-1: A program that responds directly to the emerging needs of state and local law enforcement. It eliminates the dependence of the 9-1-1- system for non-emergencies. (1996,1998)

AHEAD - Accelerated Hiring, Education and Deployment: For hiring additional officers for jurisdictions over 150,000 persons and was superseded by UHP. (1994-1995)

ACP - Advancing Community Policing: A program that assisted policing agencies with further developing an infrastructure to support community policing. (1997)

Community Policing Development: Provide funding to advance community policing and problem-oriented policing efforts through the development of products, tools, applied research that will facilitate the adoption and implementation of training and technical assistance. (2003)

COPS in Schools (CIS): Assists law enforcement agencies in hiring community-policing officers to work in and around schools. (1999-present)

Distressed Neighborhoods Pilot Project: Funded cities that have experienced higher crime rates, poverty and unemployment. These cities have received a UHP grant with a full waiver of the COPS local match requirement. (1998)

Domestic Violence: Funded innovative community policing efforts to curb domestic violence by developing partnerships between law enforcement agencies and community organizations. (1996)

FAST - Funding Accelerated for Smaller Towns: A hiring program superseded by UHP for jurisdictions under 150,000 persons. (1994-1995)

GANG - Anti-Gang Initiatives: Brought effective community policing strategies to the front line in the battle against gangs in 15 communities. (1996)

HITSS - Hiring In the Spirit of Service: An initiative designed to explore changes in how law enforcement officers are recruited and hired. It requires a recruitment and selection process that attracts individuals with qualifications consistent with a service-oriented approach to policing as well as the mental and physical demands of patrol work. (2000-present)

Homeland Security Overtime Program (HSOP): HSOP grants supplement the selected agencies' state or locally funded officer overtime budgets, increasing the amount of overtime funding available for these critical functions. (2003)

In-Car Camera Program: Provides vehicle-based video camera systems to state law enforcement agencies to deter assaults on officers, provide evidence in trials and increase law enforcement accountability. (2000- present)

INTEGRITY - Police Integrity Training Initiative: This initiative seeks to strengthen police integrity by providing training to communities and local governments, creating comprehensive and innovative community policing training and technical assistance to both officers and citizens. (1997-present)

Interoperable Communications Technology Program: This program partners with other Federal agencies and communities to develop effective interoperable communication systems for public safety and emergency service providers. (2003-present)

JBAS - Justice Based After-School Program: A pilot program that developed a preventive approach to juvenile crime and victimization to improve the overall quality of life in high-crime neighborhoods. (2000-present)

METH - Methamphetamine Initiative: Assists local law enforcement agencies and task forces with developing innovative community policing responses to problems of crime and disorder related to Methamphetamine usage. (1998-present)

MORE - Making Officer Redeployment Effective: Provides funds to acquire new technologies and equipment as well as hire civilians for administrative support tasks to improve officer efficiency and increase time on patrol. (1998-2002)

Phase I: Was a hiring program superseded by UHP. (1994)

PHS - Police Hiring Supplement: A hiring program administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) before the establishment of the COPS Office. Funded by BJA but monitored by COPS starting in 1994. (1993)

PPSE, PSPEVAL - Evaluation and Research Grants: Provide funding to policing agencies, universities and criminal justice facilities to evaluate community policing and improve.

PSP - Problem-Solving Partnerships: Funded problem solving and partnership development between law enforcement agencies and community organizations that addressed persistent crime or disorder problems. (1996)

RCPI - Regional Community Policing Institutes: Thirty-one institutes across the nation provide comprehensive and innovative community policing training and technical assistance to policing agencies and community members. (1997-present)

Safe Schools Initiative (SSI): SSI grants help state and local agencies with delinquency prevention, community planning and development, school safety resources, and technology development. Funding is aimed at preventing violence in public schools, and to support the assignment of officers to work in collaboration with schools and community-based organizations to address the threat of terrorism, crime, disorder, gangs, and drug activities. (1998-present)

SBP - School Based Partnerships: Helped provide policing agencies with a unique opportunity to work with schools and community-based organizations to address persistent school-related crime problems. (1998,1999)

Small Community Grant Program: A program to help agencies serving populations under 50,000 retain police officers by paying for a portion of the fourth year salary and benefits of existing COPS-funded officers. (1998)

Secure Our Schools (SOS): Provides funding to law enforcement agencies to partner with schools for the purchase of crime prevention equipment, staff and student training, and other security improvements. (2002-present)

TECH - Technology Grants: Fund projects to develop technologies that will advance community policing and help fight crime. (1998-present)

Tribal Mental Health Community Safety Initiative: Provides funds to tribal law enforcement agencies for safer and healthier communities through hiring additional officers (Hire), training (TA), equipment and technology (E/T) (2000-2001)

Tribal Resources Grant Program: Provides funds to tribal law enforcement agencies for a broadened, innovative hiring program to fund salary and benefits for new police personnel (Hire) as well as training (TA) and equipment (E/T) for new and existing officers. (1999-present)

TROOPS - Troops to Cops: A former joint program with the Department of Defense that provided incentives for COPS grantees to hire recently separated members of the armed services. (1995,1999)

UHP - Universal Hiring Program: Assists law enforcement agencies in hiring additional community policing officers. (1995-present)

VBI - Value Based Initiatives: Strive to improve the health of communities by helping them build meaningful partnerships. (2000-present)

YFVI - Youth Firearms Violence Initiative: Funded innovative community policing efforts in 10 cities to curb the rise in violence associated with young people and firearms. (1995)

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